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H. F. Ferris, F. Armstrong and G. C. Stevens Have Been Selected by the Law and Under Graduate Classes to Compete for Prize at Lincoln.



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FLEETS REPORTED TO HAVE CLASHED; NOT CONFIRMED.

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The British cruiser Sittiel has arrived here from Hongkong. She reports having passed the Russian Second Pacific Squadron, including seven battleships, steaming north at daylight, April 12. NO RUSSIAN WARSHIPS AT MUMUKU, HAWAII.

LINEVITCH CONTINUES TO CONCENTRATE TROOPS ON CHANGCHUN-KIRIN LINE.

Tokio, April 12.—Reports received here from Manchuria indicate that the Russians continue concentrating their troops and strengthening the Changchun-Kirin line. General Madrioff's force continues in touch with the extreme Japanese left. Skirmishes are frequent, and may possibly develop into an engagement.

TOGO HAS DIVIDED HIS FLEET INTO FLYING, MAIN AND RESERVE SQUADRONS.

London, April 12.—It is guardedly admitted in Tokyo according to the Express correspondent there, that Admiral Togo has completed his battle organization by dividing his fleet into three squadrons—flying, main and reserve.

TOKIO HAS NO IDEA WHAT ARE ROJESTVENSKY'S PLANS FOR HIS SQUADRON.

Tokio, April 12.—No information has reached Tokyo that would in any way indicate either the plans of Admiral Rojestsvenky or the destination of his vessels.

OFFICIAL DENIAL THAT RUSSIA CONTEMPLATES ANOTHER INTERNAL LOAN.

St. Petersburg, April 12, 1:15 a. m.—Official denial is given to the report that the Government is contemplating the issue of another internal loan at present.

"The New York Limited," via Vandalia, leaves at 12:30 noon. It is composed entirely of Pullman cars, including compartment, observation and buffet smoking cars, a ladies' maid, a barber shop, bath, etc., dining cars, all the conveniences of home. Ticket offices, Seventh and Olive and Union Station.

Outspoken at Any Rate. Miss Main: "I'll never board at a farmhouse again. I wish you'd light the lamp. Sarah: 'I'm afraid of the dark.' 'Are you, now?' 'Why, I should think you'd be more afraid of the light.'—Chattanooga News.

TO BRACE YOU UP

During these Spring months you need Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. No matter whether you are young or old, rich or poor you'll find it the ideal medicine to sharpen the appetite, rid the system of winter impurities, or to overcome that "soured feeling." There's nothing like it for curing Belching, Bloating, Heartburn, Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Colic, Spasms, Fever or Chills. Try a bottle to-day. Avoid substitutes.

HASTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

RACE WAR IMMINENT IN TOWN IN KANSAS

Serious Disorders in Coffeyville Streets Following Negro's Assault on White Woman.

400 DEPUTIES ARE SWORN IN.

Fifteen Negroes Arrested and Sent to Independence—Citizens Arm With Rifles and Patrol City.

Coffeyville, Kan., April 12.—A race war has narrowly been averted here as the result of the assault by a negro upon Mrs. John Griffith, a white woman, the wife of a machinist, and serious trouble is still likely.

Narrow of the worst class have been ordered to leave town before night. In anticipation of a clash between the two races, the Mayor today issued a proclamation ordering that all citizens disarm, and at the same time many special officers were sworn in.

Since the negro's attack on Mrs. Griffith, the negroes have been aiming to prevent the lynching of any innocent negro, as seemed likely, and early today an attempt to disarm a number of blacks resulted in a dozen negroes being leveled at Chief of Police Smith's head.

NEIRO LEADER CHOKED. Other negroes rushed to the scene, when a body of whites stepped them with leveled rifles. The leader among the negroes was choked into insubordination and the others were subdued, trouble being averted for the time at least. Many arrests were made.

The negro who assaulted Mrs. Griffith is still at large. After the arrest of nine negro ring-leaders this afternoon the negroes began to leave the streets. At 5 o'clock six more were arrested without trouble, and the fifteen were sent to the county jail at Independence, Kan., for safekeeping.

Four hundred deputies were sworn in today, with orders to shoot at the slightest provocation. Whites are determined to have "hot" negroes here once for all and are patrolling the streets.

Not a heart of light on the main streets and all is quiet. The negroes have gathered in the north part of the city. They will be hunted throughout the night and the tough element placed in jail or driven from town.

CRIPPLED BY PATROL STREETS. What the night will bring forth no man can say. The streets are filled with citizens who are armed and sworn in as deputies, and they are making a determined effort to keep the negroes quiet. Among the deputies are some of the men who fought the Indian war, among them John Ketchum, who killed three of the cowboys in the field.

Chief of Police Smith has been notified that a gang of negroes from the Indian territory are armed with rifles and will come in tonight on the body train. If this is true they will be met in the railroad yards at the edge of town by a posse and disarmed and thrown into jail, or there will be a bloody battle should they resist.

The white citizens do not fear trouble and are not working, but they are on the alert and the police are still unable to locate the assailant of Mrs. Griffith, but are still vigorously prosecuting the search.

NEGRO CALLS WHITE MAN TO DOOR AND KILLS HIM.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New London, Mo., April 12.—Fred Berkley, a negro of this county, went to the home of Robert Herring, a well-to-do white farmer, living five miles from this city, last night, called Mr. Herring to his door and began accusing the white man of stealing his horse.

He said that he had come to kill Herring, and began firing. At this Herring started for his house, and the negro followed him, firing at him. The negro continued to fire, and Herring was killed.

During the shooting, Herring's family fled from the house, and the negro then went to his home and went to bed. Sheriff Addison and Deputy Brown found him at four o'clock, and brought him here. The negro is dangerous.

The citizens are greatly incensed at the murder. Being returned by the Government to the South. They cannot send you any, but we will mail you two six ones, 25c each, battle and national, upon receipt of \$1.00. Every Southern home should have the Confederate flag.

TEXARKANA NEGRO STABS YOUNG WHITE MAN BADLY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Texarkana, Ark., April 12.—J. D. Huey, a young man of this city, was stabbed three times in the chest, just over the heart, by Cash Johnson, a negro, who came from the Kansas City Southern, which runs south to Fort Smith, and lodged in jail on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

Huey is in a critical condition, and the physicians say there is little hope for him. The citizens are greatly incensed at the murder.

RUSSIANS AT VLADIVOSTOK ARE EXPERIMENTING WITH SUBMARINES.

Tokio, April 12.—It is reported here that the Russians at Vladivostok are conducting experiments with six submarine vessels and that these boats are all of foreign manufacture and include French, British and American types.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN ADVOCATES DEFENSIVE ALLIANCE WITH JAPAN

London, April 12.—Joseph Chamberlain, presiding at the annual meeting of the Liberal Unionist Club, held in London today, strongly supported the suggestion of an Anglo-Japanese defensive alliance.

He referred to the present Anglo-Japanese alliance as one of the greatest diplomatic achievements of the last quarter of a century, and said the treaty had already justified itself by limiting the area of the terrible conflict which was still going on.

YOUNG ORATORS OF SMITH ACADEMY WILL COMPETE FOR GOLD MEDAL IN ANNUAL CONTEST TO-MORROW



STUDENTS WHO WILL TAKE PART IN DECLAMATION CONTEST. First row, reading left to right: C. F. Phillips, J. L. Goldman, C. Campbell, T. A. Riddle, H. C. Schuyler, S. C. Penningroth.

Top row, reading left to right: S. T. Post, C. H. Ryan, F. C. Lake, B. Clifford, F. P. Thompson and E. Ganter. The thirteenth annual declamation contest of the students of Smith Academy for gold medals offered by the academy will take place to-morrow evening in Memorial Hall, corner of Nineteenth and Locust streets.

FAIRIES TO SING IN SWAN BOATS IN BIG WATERWAY.

Elizabethan Society Will Present "Midsummer Night's Dream" in Music Hall to Endow Cot.

One of the prettiest features of the Elizabethan Society's production of Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream" at Music Hall, Thirteenth and Olive streets, to-morrow evening, given to the benefit of the Cotnam fund.

"Mother Goose"—Glorious ballet, girls, scenery and all—will succeed "Checkers" at the Century. The engagement this time is for two weeks. The Century stage is now being overhauled for the properties used in the new season.

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The man of the 'old school' Paid less attention to the changes in fashion than we do to-day.

This is a progressive age. The regulations laid down by Dame Fashion are necessary to business success. Here's a "Good-bye" to Spring materials, handsome but soft, single and double breasted, to your measure, \$25 to \$35. Ready-to-wear Suits and Toggles \$25 to \$35.



MISS MARY RANKIN INJURED IN WRECK

St. Louis Woman Hurt When Train on Big Four Plows in Network of Switches at Bellefontaine, O.

Bellefontaine, O., April 12.—Train No. 6 between Cleveland and St. Louis, one of the fastest trains on the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway, was wrecked here to-night and seven persons were more or less seriously hurt.

The injured are: A man believed to be S. Sacks of Pittsburgh, probably fatally. He was riding between the express and mail cars.

Nathaniel Chandler, Weymouth, Mass., injured internally, neck serious. Miss Mary Rankin, St. Louis, leg and arm hurt.

W. A. Wheeler, Union City, Pa.; back hurt. G. H. Broughton, mail clerk, Cleveland, eye hurt, face lacerated.

Charles Berryman, mail clerk, Portville, Ind.; internally injured. Charles Smyke, engineer, Cleveland, hands and face cut.

As the train was pulling into Bellefontaine the brakes failed to work, and the heavy engine plowed into the netted switches at the crossing of the Sandusky division of the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis and the Ohio Central tracks, tearing the tracks up so that traffic cannot be resumed on the three lines for several hours.

BURGLARS GET FIFTEEN CENTS

Remains Residence of J. Frank Merryman After Gaining Entrance With Duplicate Key.

A silver dime and five pennies was all the plunder that was secured by daylight burglars who ransacked the residence of J. Frank Merryman at No. 200 West Cabanne place yesterday afternoon.

Every room in the house was ransacked, but the burglars were unable to find any more money. About 4 o'clock Mrs. Merryman left the house and was absent for more than an hour. While away the burglars entered by means of a duplicate key, and searched every nook and corner in the house.

In the bedroom on the second floor they searched a large chest and carefully threw a lighted match into the drawers. The fire, as the odor of burning cloth was perceptible when Mrs. Merryman returned. As Mrs. Merryman went up to the second floor she was surprised to find it open. Fearing that burglars were inside, she called the police.

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